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PRESIDENT'S CORNER – PASTOR GORDY HARMON

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! Psalms 133

Greetings dear brethren,

This is the last time I will write to you before Conference 2022. I am already anticipating our time together, looking forward to seeing your face and hearing your voice. It is much like a family reunion, is it not? Our world is greatly troubled and in the process of passing away. But in the midst of the darkness God has granted us Light!! Conference offers us beloved, a few days of respite, gathering with the children of God – a People of like precious faith...WHAT A GIFT!!

Our Conference gathering affords us the opportunity to be strengthened and refreshed. How?? Certainly by the preaching of God's Word. Our theme is so timely... "Earnestly Contend". And our preachers are humbly and prayerfully making every preparation to "Preach the Word!" God has called us brethren to dig in, to dig deep, to hold the line without compromise. He has blessed us with an identity as keepers and defenders of the truths of the faith which were once for all "entrusted to the saints!!" We will be challenged to "Build ourselves up in the Most Holy Faith!" It is our turn, our time to prove ourselves faithful, not in simply hearing the truth, but being so daring as to shine as lights in a crooked and perverse world, holding forth the Word of Truth! But what I also find so spiritually enriching is being together. Have you ever looked at past conference pictures?? In every setting there is an abundance of JOY!! You can see it on their faces. When they're eating, when they're singing, when they're talking, playing games, in every setting no matter what, there is JOY. It affects the children as much as the senior saints.

Come and share in the JOY of worship by singing and the preaching at our Bible Hours; seeing and hearing what is going on in Home and Foreign Missions; Zoo Day on Sunday; Dinner at The Park on Monday with Volleyball and Ice Cream!! There is YCON for our Youth; Children's Conference for our kids, things happening for both our ladies and our men. The schedule affords us time to be together in various settings. There is, I believe, something for everyone.

Make plans to join us TODAY!! THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. The deadline to register for conference is Wednesday, May 25th! That is just a few days away. The deadline for YCON Registration is Sunday, May 15th. You MUST register with the hotel by calling the Marriott phone number (888-801-7133). Tell them you're with the CGBCI Conference, or got to the CGBCI Website, click on "Hotel Reservations" and fill in the form. It is easy and quick to do!

Equally important is filling out your EVENTBRITE Ticket. That link is also on the CGBCI Website. Look for the "Tickets(free)" link. When you fill out that form your conference leaders will know things such as, 1) how many are going to the Ladies' Luncheon and their menu selection 2) how many zoo tickets to purchase 3) how many children are coming to Children's Conference...and more.

Please take time today to look on the CGBCI Website and 1) make your reservation with the hotel and 2) fill out your EVENTBRITE free ticket. The last day to register is May 25th. If you have any issues please contact Pastor Jonathan Edwards or me, Pastor Gordy Harmon.

Please join me, brothers and sisters, as we Earnestly Contend for the faith, together!! May God be glorified in the gathering of our churches!!

EARNESTLY CONTEND!!

For help and information regarding conference contact: Pastor Jonathan Edwards (Conference Coordinator) Email: jsedwards07@gmail.com / 419-665-4024

Pastor Gordy Harmon (Conference President) Email: bffpastorg@gmail.com / 740-504-7932

"EARNESTLY CONTEND"

June 17-22, 2022

Marriott NW, Dublin, OH

NATIONAL CONFERENCE NEWS AND UPDATES – PASTOR GORDY HARMON

Please check the CGBCI Website for two easy-to-use links to properly register for conference. One link is strictly for the hotel. It will walk you through the process of making your room reservation.

If you do not want to reserve your room online, please call the hotel's reservation hotline at: 888-801-7133. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE – MAY 25, 2022**

When making your reservation, the Executive Panel strongly recommends that you do not use your debit card. The hotel has a **DEBIT / CHECK CARD NOTICE** posted which says the following:

"Use of a debit / check card as security or payment for your room immediately places a hold on the funds in your checking account. The amount of the authorization / hold requested will be for up to seven days room and tax plus an estimate for incidentals. Your financial institution may continue to hold these funds for 3-5 business days after you checkout. The hotel cannot accept responsibility for holds placed on debit / check card account."

There is second link that is equally important for you to use, it is the Eventbrite link. It is very similar to the one we used last year. This link registers you for conference and helps the Executive Panel

make sufficient plans for your arrival and participation. It is here that you can register your children for Children's Conference. Ladies can sign up for The Ladies Luncheon (deadline for registration is May 25th). How many Zoo Tickets do we need? How much ice cream to buy? How many are coming for YCON? How many for the Golf Outing? It is so important for you to fill out the Eventbrite Registration Form so that we can be ready! The hotel is offering a Complimentary Breakfast Buffet included with your room reservation. The staff and management at the Marriott NW in Dublin have worked tirelessly with great enthusiasm and ideas to help make our stay with them as enjoyable as possible.

YCON 2022 – PASTORS KEVIN YODER AND ROB COVER

Greetings brethren,

YCON is planning for an action packed week. Much of what the youth will be studying is our identity in Christ and that He has a greater plan than just surviving the difficulties. His disclosed purpose and plan give us a different perspective with perseverance and tremendous joy even in times of stress. The last couple years have proven that we need to be connected and rooted with good friends to share life together. The last two years have been very difficult on the youth, and we want to encourage them in the Lord and make lasting friendships. We are looking forward to spending time with you all!

Please see your pastor for the YCON youth application, they need to be sent in by May 15th!

Pricing for the week is \$295 with room, food and activities.

Or \$195.00 if staying with your parents.

Family discount is \$25.00 off for each additional sibling.

If you have not received an application form or if you have questions, please email yoderk1974@gmail.com or call, 269-838-5003.

CHILDREN'S CONFERENCE - PASTOR DAVE & MELODY BLEVINS

In Matthew 13:10 when the disciples asked Jesus, "Why do You speak to them in parables?" Verse 11 says, "He answered and said to them, "Because it has been given to you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given". The theme for Children's Conference this summer is "Mysteries of the Kingdom". We would love to have your children join with "Inspector Clue-sow" as together we search for "clues" about the mysteries of God's kingdom from the Parables of Jesus. In addition to our Bible lessons, there will be plenty of fun activities, music, games and crafts, Please see your pastor for a registration form, or you can also email Pastor Dave Blevins at dblevins12560@gmail.com for a registration form. Please send your registrations to 130 Meadow Lane Greeneville, TN 37745 or to the e-mail listed above. Looking forward to seeing you in Columbus!

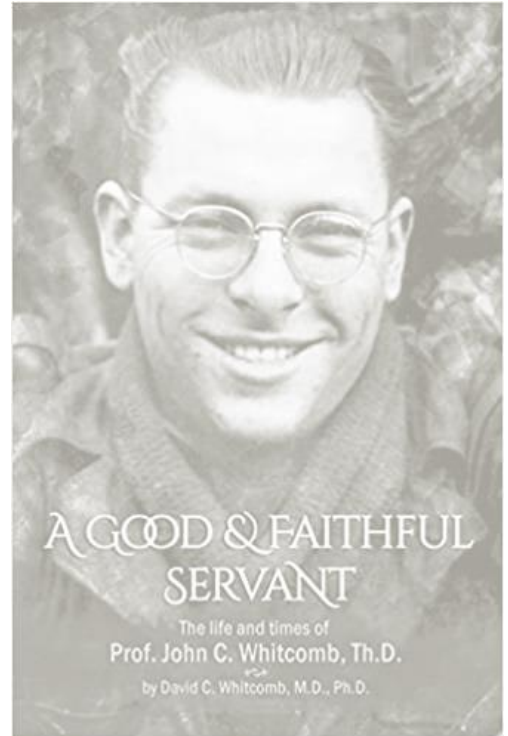
GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENT – PASTOR CHRIS KNIGHT

We wish to congratulate Pastor Delane Miller on his graduation from Western Seminary, Portland, OR on April 23 with a ThM (Master of Theology). May the Lord continue to richly bless your ministry.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY.... The biography of Dr. John Whitcomb

The biography of Dr. John Whitcomb will be released in May! Pastor Harmon has agreed to allow Whitcomb Ministries to hold a special Book Event on June 18th at the CGBCI Conference! You will find this book fascinating as you learn how God used an ordinary man to change the course of history. "A Good and Faithful Servant" tells of Dr. John Whitcomb's family life, military service in WWII, and personal heartache and enduring faith as he sought to defend the accuracy of God's Word and the long battle of origins vs evolution. Written by Dr. David Whitcomb, this book will inspire the reader to a deeper love for God and greater fervency for living one's life for God's glory!

Please stop by our table on June 18th to purchase your copy of "A Good & Faithful Servant"! We will be selling the book at a very special price only for the conference as Dr. Whitcomb loved the CGBC's, Pastors, families and friends so very much. He would be greatly humbled to know his influence on lives continues on to this day. May God be pleased to use the ministry and the story of his life to draw people to the Savior!



NATIONAL EVANGELISM TEAM (NET) – PASTOR DEL MILLER

Below are listed the NET 22 team members. The team had its first pre-NET practice on Saturday, May 7 at Galion GBC from 10:00-4:00. There were a few individuals who could not make it, but there were enough of us to make some valuable progress.

Beside each team member's name below is the name of the church that has adopted them for this year.

Men:

Reuben Auten-Galion GBC

Jethro Geiser-New Troy GBC

Reuben Geiser-Orrville GBC

Isaac Hodgdon-Cornerstone GBC

Jeremiah Hodgdon-Cornerstone GBC

Benjamin Miller- GB Bible Church

Travis Pardue-New Troy GBC

Ladies:

Ruth Anna Miller-GBC of Grimes

Sophia Pearson-Peru GBC

Amy Vanderpool-Lakeland Conservative GBC

Pastor Del and Grace Miller,
Leaders-Wooster, OH- North Buffalo GBC

Pastor Josh and Autumn Miller,
Leaders-Wooster, OH-Listie GBC

Thank you for your interest and help with this ministry over the years. At this time we still have Sunday evening July 10th open on our schedule for the Ohio area. If you are interested in having the team for that service please let us know. Please contact us at the address, phone or email below.

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